(d) what was the specific purpose of its ins tallation and to what extent the purpose has been achieved so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. M.G.K. MENON): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The computer was installed on 28-11-1986;

(c) The cost of installation of the Computer was Rs. 6,63, 983|- and its annual maintenance cost is Rs. 93,000|-.

(d) The Computer was provided for strengthening on-going research and for teaching programmes of the Chemistry Department. Computer usage has been incorporated in the M.Sc. and M. Phil courses of the Department and students are being trained in this field. The Computer is also being utilise for the research activities of the Department, particularly in Theoretical and Physical |Chemistry.

Location of colour picture tube plant at Kondapalli in Vijayawada

1764. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to locate a colour picture tube plant at Kondapalli near Vijayawada; if so, what is the present stage of this proposal; and

(b) since how long this proposal is pending with the Union Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. M.G.K. MENON): (a) A composite proposal for expansion of capacity and foreign collaboration was received from Andhra Pradesh Electronics Development Corporation (APEDC) for manufacture of colour picture tubes. The exact location of the project was not indicated in the application.

(b) The proposal was not accepted by the Government of India vide their letter dated 14-10-88. M|s. APEDC represented against the decision vide their letter dated 9-12-88. Meanwhile, the collaborator of M|s. APEDC namely M|s. Philips. Holland have withdrawn their offer of collaboration with M|s. APEDC and have terminated all its past arrangements with APEDC for technology transfer for manufacture of colour picture tubes.

Yoga teachers in Kendriya Vidyalayas

1765. SHRI MOHD. KHALEELUR RAHMAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of pay scales, academic and professional qualifications of Yoga Teachers employed in Kendriya Vidyalayas;

(b) whether it is a fact that the services of Yoga teachers have not been rendered permanent even after a decade; and

(c) if so, what are the reasons therefor and the details of promotional avenues available to them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. M.G.K. MENON): (a) to (c) Teaching of Yoga was started on an experimental basis in Kendriya Vidyalayas in the Academic year 1981-82 and has been continuing on year to year basis since then. At the time of introduction of Yoga education, the following qualification and Scales of pay were laid down:—

Qualification: Matric|Higher Secondary with practical knowledge and experience of yoga teaching.

Scale of Pay: Pre-revised Rs. 425-15-560-EB-20-640|-.

Revised Rs. 1400-40-1800-EB—50—2300|-.

Since the Scheme of Yoga education was temporary and has been continued on year to year basis, all the Yoga teachers were appointed on ad hoc basis and their services were also extended on year to year basis. Based on a review of the Scheme of Yoga education, the Board of Governors of the Sangathan decided in September, 1986, that the teaching of Physical Education and Yoga should be integrated and that for this purpose, Physical Education teachers should be given training in Yoga and Yoga teachers should acquire adequate qualifications for teaching Physical Education. Twenty-four yoga teachers who already possessed qualifications prescribed for the post of PETs were appointed as such. The Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan nominated the other willing yoga teachers to undergo a special B.P. Ed. (Summer Course) in 3 semesters in Lakshmi Bai National College of Physical Education (L.N.C.P.E.), Gwalior. Ninty-five Yoga teachers have since acquired the qualification of B.P. Ed. The Sangathan has reported that the question of formal regularisation of these employees as PETs would be placed before their Board of Governors for decision.

The Board of Governors in their meeting in December, 1988,reviewed the Scheme further and decided that Yoga would be taught as a separate discipline in Kendriya Vidyalayas. In this context, the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan found that the Yoga teachers who had not opted for acquiring B.P.Ed. qualification fell into the following categories:—

(i) Graduates without Yoga training for a minimum of nine months.

(ii) Under-graduates who had the requisite Yoga qualification.

(iii) Under-graduates who had not had the requisite Yoga qualification.

The Sangathan decided that the above categories of teachers should acquire the qualifications of Graduation and|or Yoga training to be regularised as Yoga teachers. Until they acquire these qualifications they would be continued as ad hoc Yoga teachers.

Demand for modifications in existing policy of promotion and postings in K.V.S.

1766. SHRI MOHD. KHALEELUR RAHMAN:

SHRI YALLA SESI BHUSHANA RAO:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that All India Kendriya Vidyalayas Teachers' Association had demanded modifications in the existing bases of promotion to the post of Vice-Principal and in policy of promotional postings; and

(b) if so, the details of the modifications demanded and Sangathans reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. M. G. K. MENON): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The All India Kendriya Vidyalaya Teachers' Association has demanded the following in respect of basis of promotion to the post of Vice-Principals and policy of promotional postings:—

(i) Promotion of PGTs as Vice-Principals should be made on the basis of 'Seniority-cum-fitness' instead of the present basis of seniority-cum-merit, since annual confidential reports do not constitute a safe and scientific basis of assessing the merit of the employees.

(ii) The existing rule relating to postings on promotion is being interpre-